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DECISION GRANTING

PETITION

In re Application of Kosuna, et al. Application No. 10/045,972 Filed: February 28, 2002 Attorney Docket No.: 1617.22B FOR: COMPOSITION FOR THE TREATMENT OF SYMPTOMS AND CONDITIONS ASSOCIATED WITH **AGING**

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 28, 2002, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of February 28, 2002, which is the date of submission of formal drawings. The delay in addressing the petition is due to the fact that petitioners listed an incorrect application number on the petition and the Express Mail Certificate.

The application was deposited on February 28, 2002. On February 6, 2002, the Office of Initial Patent Examination mailed a Notice informing petitioners that no filing date had been accorded to the above-identified application because the application as filed did not include drawings.

In response to the Notice, a petition under 37 CFR 1.182, including three formal drawings and a newly executed declaration, was filed on February 28, 2002, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of February 28, 2002, the date of deposit of the items noted as omitted in the "Notice of Omitted Item(s)" mailed February 6, 2002.

The above-identified application should be accorded a filing date of February 28, 2002, which is the date that all required components for a filing date were received in the Office.

The petition is granted.

No petition fee has been or will be charged.

The application is being returned to Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing, with a filing date of February 28, 2002. The Office of Initial Patent Examination will mail a filing receipt in due course.

Any inquiries pertaining to this matter may be directed to Petitions Attorney E. Shirene Willis at (703) 308-6712.

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